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Of the Third Session of the OLIVE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION Held with the Church at Mt. Gilcad, Lee County, Ala., on the 16th, 17th and 18th days of October, 1885.

First—The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. J. DICKSON, of the Olive Association from Isa. 30th ch. 21st verse: "Thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left."

Second—Opened the Association by prayer, by Elder R. T. WEB, from Sulphur Fork Association, Texas.

Third—Called for, received, and read letters from the churches composing the body, enrolled the names of messengers present, and minuted their condition. (See tabular statement.)

Fourth—Invited visiting ministers and brethren to seats with us.

Fifth—On motion, reelected by acclamation, Elder W. M. MITCHELL, Moderator, and John N. Hurst, Clerk, then took up the business in the following order:

1st Appointed the following committees:

To arrange the order of preaching, Elder J. S. BAXLEY, J. G. Ware and W. A. Lamb, together with the messengers of this Church, Elder L. B. PORTER, L. Pickard and J. G. Leslie.

To write corresponding letter, J. M. Parker.

To examine corresponding minutes, J. B. Folks, C. P. D. Taylor, A. R. Powell.

2nd. Called for correspondence from sister associations, and received from the—

Bulah—Elder J. T. SATTERWHITE, correspondent, and H. Leslie, visitor, with minutes.

Upatoic—G. W. Cargle, L. Wheelless, A. J. Digby, J. R. Thompson, N. E. Miller and Samuel Rodgers with minutes.

Conecuh River—Elder J. E. W. HENDERSON bearing petitionary letter for correspondence

Ocmulgee—No correspondence.

Wetumpka—L. M. Parker with corresponding letter.

Late Primitive Western—G. W. Head, visitor.

Hillabee—Elder J. J. CLEVELAND with corresponding letter.

Sulphur Fork, Texas—Elder R. T. WEB, visitor.

3d. Appointed union meetings.

1st. Dist. To be held with the church at Mt. Gilead, Lee county, Ala., commencing on Friday before the third Sunday in April, 1886.

2nd Dist. To be held with the church at Concord, Tallapoosa county, Ala., commencing on Friday before the first Sunday in August, 1886.

4th. Adjourned until half after eight o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Elder J. E. W. HENDERSON, then a recess of 30 minutes.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. T. SATTERWHITE.

5th. The committee on examining corresponding Minutes report that there is nothing claiming the attention of the body, but they have been *verbally* informed that the Primitive Western Association with whom we have been corresponding, at her last session adjourned indefinitely, to which we call the attention of this body.

6th. Returned correspondence to sister associations.

Beulah--To convene with the church at Mt. Pisga, Ala., nine miles north of Buffalo Wallow, and eighteen miles northwest of West Point, Ga., commencing on Saturday before the third Sunday, in September, 1886. J. S. Baxley, E. F. Ware, W. H. Newell, and C. P. D. Taylor.

Upatoie—To be held with the church at Bluff Springs, Macon county, Ga., four miles northwest of Andersonville, commencing on Tuesday, after the first Sunday in September, 1886. L. B. Porter, and J. W. Foster.

Ocmulgee—By minutes.

Wetumpka—To convene with Swamp Creek Church, Coosa county, Ala., commencing on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September 1886, nine miles west of Rockford, C. H. J. S.

Baxley, G. C. Freeman, T. J. Stevens, J. G. Ware and J. W. Patterson.

Hillabee—To convene with the church at Liberty Hill, Coosa county, Ala., two miles from Rockford, commencing on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1886. Elder J. J. Dickson, and B. J. Hornsby.

Conecuh River—To convene with the church at Pilgrim's Rest, Covington county, Ala., commencing on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1886. Elder J. J. Dickson, Elder J. S. Baxley, J. M. Parker, and Elder L. B. Porter.

Primitive Western, having at her last session adjourned indefinitely, we therefore of necessity, suspend correspondence.

7th. Called for and received contributions from the churches to the amount of \$17.75, and ordered that 500 copies of this minute be printed and distributed among the churches, reserving a sufficient number for corresponding purposes, and that the clerk superintend the same, and retain the remainder of contributions for his services.

8th. Called for, received and adopted the corresponding letter.

9th. The next session of this body is appointed to convene with the church at Canaan, Tallapoosa county, Ala., commencing on Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1886. Located two miles southwest of Waverly depot on railroad leading from Opelika to Dadeville, Ala.

10th. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this association be and are hereby tendered to the friends and citizens of this community for the kindness and hospitality so generously extended during the present session.

11th. Minute read and adopted and repaired to the stand for final adjournment.

ORDAINED MINISTERS PRESENT.

J. T. Satterwhite,	.....from the Beulah.
H. Bussey,	.....from the Upatoi.
J. J. Cleveland,	.....from the Hillabee.
J. E. W. Henderson,	.....from the Conecuh River.
R. T. Web,	.....from the Sulphur Fork, Texas.
W. M. Mitchell,	.....from the Olive.
L. B. Porter,“
M. F. Hurst,“
J. J. Dickson,“
J. S. Baxley,“

The stand was occupied from day to day in the following order:

Friday, A. M., by J. J. Dickson, followed in a few remarks by W. M. Mitchell; P. M., by J. T. Satterwhite, followed by J. J. Cleveland.

Saturday, A. M., J. J. Cleveland and J. S. Baxley; P. M., J. E. W. Henderson and R. T. Web.

Sunday, A. M., R. T. Web and J. T. Satterwhite; P. M., H. Bussy and W. M. Mitchell.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Olive Primitive Baptist Association with the Church at Mt. Gilcad, Lee county, Ala., to her Sister Associations with whom she corresponds, Greeting:

BELOVED BRETHREN IN THE LORD:—Under the smiles of our Heavenly Father, we have been permitted to meet and hold this, the third annual session of our body in love, harmony and peace; for which we desire to be thankful to the good Lord, the giver of all good. Our churches are all represented by letter and messengers bringing us the cheering news that they are in peace and some prosperity.

Beloved in the Lord, your correspondence has been tolerably full, both with ministers and other brethren, and truly the messages of love brought, has been "a feast of fat things," to us. We desire a continuance of your Christian correspondence. A number of our brethren whose names appear in our minutes, agree to visit you if the Lord will.

We have appointed that the next session of this association be held with the church at Canaan, Tallapoosa county, Ala., two miles southwest from Waverly, depot, on R. R., leading from Opelika to Dadeville, commencing on Friday before the third Sunday in October 1886, when and where we hope to meet a good number of you again if it is the Lord's will.

W. M. MITCHELL, *Moderator.*

JOHN N. HURST, *Clerk.*

APOLOGY.

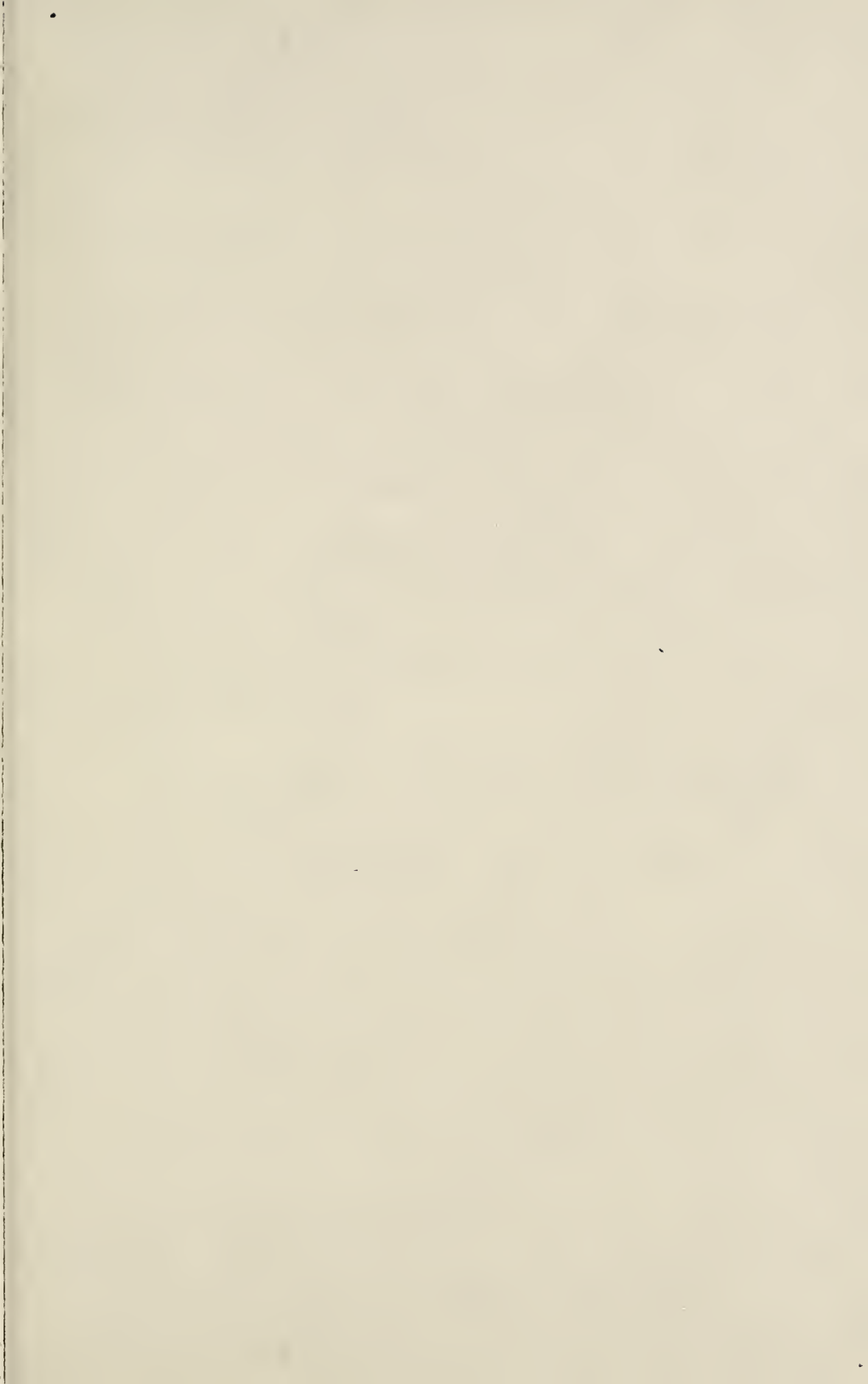
The manuscript of this Minute was mailed two days after the adjournment of the Association, but by some mishap in the mail the printer did not receive it until the 5th day of November.

Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS' NAMES.*	POST OFFICE.	Baptized	Received by Letter.	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Dead	Total	Money for Minutes...	Meetings.
FIRST DISTRICT.											
Union, Russell Co., Ala.....	J. B. Folks, J. M. Parker	Crawford, Ala	2	...	...	...	...	...	363	2 00	2
Mount Gilead, Lee Co., Ala.....	Elder L. B. Porter, L. Pickard, J. G. Leslie.....	Motts Mills, "	4	...	...	...	...	2 22	2 00	3	3
Mount Olive, Lee Co., Ala.....	Elder W. M. Mitchell, C. P. D. Taylor.....	Opelika, "	1 2	...	...	...	...	4 62	2 55	4	4
Hephzibah, Lee Co., Ala.....	A. R. Powell, John N. Hurst.....	Salem, "	2	...	2 2	...	...	2 31	2 00	1	1
SECOND DISTRICT.											
Concord, Tallapoosa Co., Ala....	W. H. Newell, J. G. Ware, E. F. Ware.....	Dadeville, Ala	1 1	...	...	...	...	26	2 00	1	1
Sharon, Tallapoosa Co., Ala....	B. J. Hornsby, G. J. Thornton, H. C. Hubbard	Thadeus, "	3 1	...	...	...	...	1 37	2 00	4	4
Shiloh, Tallapoosa Co., Ala.....	J. M. Middlebrooks.....	Thornton, "	1	...	...	...	...	1 15	75	3	3
Canaan, Tallapoosa Co., Ala....	W. J. M. Henderson.....	Waverly, "	3 1 2	...	...	...	...	2 83	2 00	1	1
Bethlehem, Macon Co., Ala.....	Eld. J. S. BAXLEY, G. C. Freeman J. W. Patterson	Notasulga, "	2 2	...	1	...	...	1 34	2 50	2	2
Total number.....			11 13	6	3	...	...	13 296	317 80	...	...

RECAPITULATION—Baptized, 11; received by letter, 13; dismissed by letter, 6; excluded, 3; dead, 13; total number, 246; money, \$17.80. *Elders names in SMALL CAPS.





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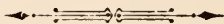
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